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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): YAMAMOTO, et al

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For: A FAILURE INFORMATION MANAGEMENT METHOD AND  
MANAGEMENT SERVER IN A NETWORK EQUIPPED WITH A  
STORAGE DEVICE

Group:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 6, 2003

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully  
submitted in connection with the above-identified application, as indicated below:

Marked Up Copy of Original Specification and Substitute Specification;  
Amendment to the Abstract;  
Amendment to the Claims; and  
Remarks are included following the Amendments.